

Project Description

This project proposes the addition of 10 miles of newly constructed toll lanes north of the existing I-85 Express Lanes. Located entirely within Gwinnett County, one northbound and one southbound toll lane will operate north of the existing express lanes on I-85 at Old Peachtree Road and will extend to Hamilton Mill Road. These lanes will be designed to improve traffic flow, increase options for motorists and transit and registered vanpool customers, provide reliable trip times, create jobs and bring economic benefits to the residents of this region. These lanes will be managed by a variable priced tolling system similar to the existing I-85 Express Lanes. In addition to the toll lanes, new auxiliary lanes are proposed for construction to keep traffic moving in the congested areas of the corridor. Auxiliary lanes are constructed between on- and off-ramps to allow drivers a safe way to merge into traffic while also preventing bottlenecks caused by drivers attempting to enter or exit the freeway.

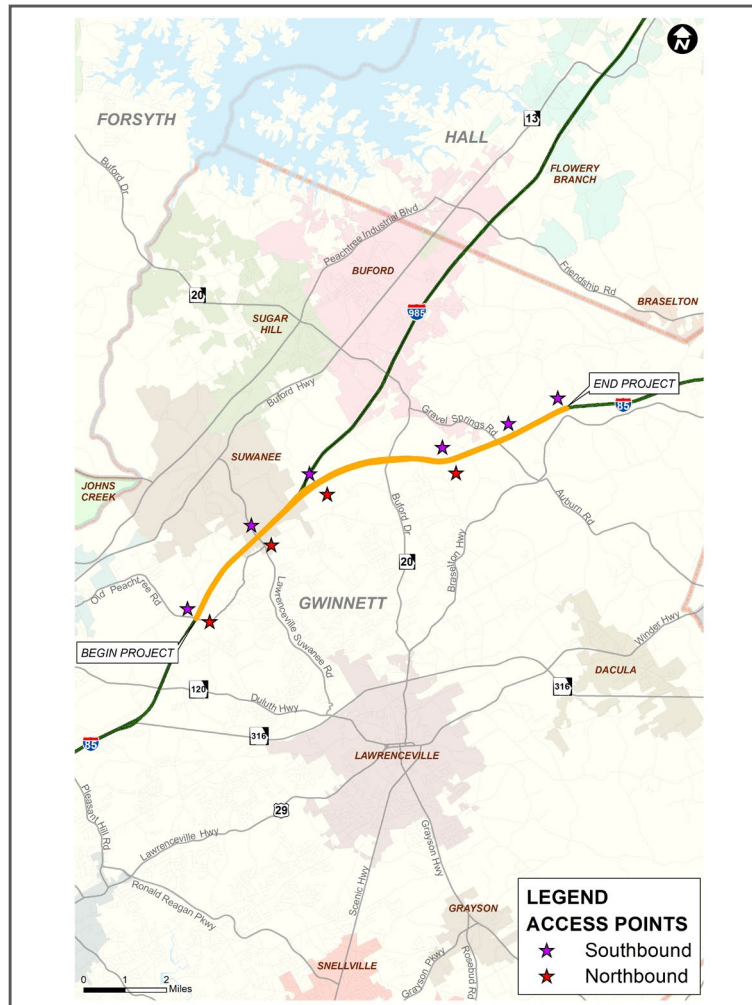
Quick Facts

- Project length is 10 miles
- Project cost estimate: \$110 million
- Project includes one new northbound express lane and one new southbound express lane
- Project delivery method: Design-Build
- South of I-985, the project proposes new capacity along I-85 outside of existing mainline; north of I-985, the new capacity would be on the inside shoulder along the four-lane section
- Proposed auxiliary lanes will provide better traffic flow between key interchanges: I-85 southbound from SR 20 to SR 317/Lawrenceville Suwanee and I-85 northbound from SR 20 to SR 324/Gravel Springs Road overpass

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Project Area



Current Phase

Environmental / Design

Project Schedule*

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| • Fall 2014 | Public Information Open Houses |
| • Winter 2015 | RFP Advertisement |
| • Spring 2015 | Final Environmental Document |
| • Winter 2016 | Construction Begins |
| • 2018 | Open to Traffic |

**Many project elements are dependent upon the review and approvals of state and federal partner agencies and may be subject to change based on their feedback.*